

## Community Clients Readmitted Within 30 Days of Being Discharged From the Hospital

**Operational Definition:** Percent of clients who were discharged from a State or Community Hospital, or Evaluation and Treatment center in a Fiscal Year and who were readmitted to any inpatient setting within 30 days by Medicaid Status.

**Operational Measure:** Number of clients who were readmitted to a State or Community Hospital, or Evaluation and Treatment center within 30 days of being discharged divided by the total number of people discharged from these settings in a Fiscal Year by Medicaid Status.

### Formulas:

Number of clients who were discharged from a State or Community Hospital, or Evaluation and Treatment center in the Fiscal Year and were readmitted within 30 days by Medicaid Status

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**Discussion:** This indicator shows the percentage of people who were readmitted within 30 days of being discharged from the hospital. This indicator is not based on the number of people with hospital admissions, but the number of episodes. The percentage of readmission is very low, about 7% of all discharges.

### Data Notes:

- To be included in the numerator the person had to be discharged in the Fiscal Year, but the readmission could occur beyond the Fiscal Year.
- An episode is considered Medicaid funded if a client was Medicaid enrolled at the time of their hospital episode.
- Due to a data processing change data for Puget Sound Behavioral Health the number of people served in community inpatient settings for Pierce RSN are under reported in 2003 and 2004.

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Medicaid Status	FY-2003			FY-2004			FY-2005		
	Within 30 Days	# Discharge d	% Re-ad mitted	Within 30 Days	# Discharge d	% Re-ad mitted	Within 30 Days	# Discharge d	% Re-ad mitted
Medicaid Enrolled	774	10,093	7.7%	831	9,997	8.3%	812	9,668	8.4%
Non-Medicaid Enrolled	167	3,331	5.0%	124	3,260	3.8%	144	3,191	4.5%
Total	941	13,424	7.0%	955	13,257	7.2%	956	12,859	7.4%

